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PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURE, AND
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS
THEREOF**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A novel, non-hygroscopic form of azithromycin is disclosed,
as well as a method for preparing it by the gradual crystal-
lization of azithromycin from ethanol by the addition of a
minimal amount of water to effect crystal formation. Phar-
maceutical compositions containing this novel form of
azithromycin are also disclosed.

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